

## PIQUED POTOMACS.

**CLUB AND THE ASSOCIATION.**

**Regatta Deputy Explains His Action, and Says Some Hard Things about the National Body — What the National Regatta Will Cost Washington.**

J. D. Doyle, esq., who was the only representative of Washington boating interests at the meeting of the executive committee of the National Amateur Association in New York on Saturday, returned yesterday morning. The executive committee refused to render any decision in the matter of the dispute between the local and the national regatta clubs last fall, and in consequence Doyle announced that the Potomac Club would withdraw from the association. A reporter of the Times inquired of Doyle the reasons for asking him the reason of his action. He said: "I did not think that our club was treated fairly last month. When we laid the question as to the legality of Referee Weller's decision before the association last fall, they decided that it came within their jurisdiction, and referred the matter to their executive committee. At the meeting of

their representatives, appeared and submitted statements as to the facts. It was then referred

the committee on Saturday last this committee was informed by the speaker of the whole text, and the report was adopted. What were the grounds upon which a decision was made?"

"The chairman said as the request for the disputed question was not made by the clerks, the association had no jurisdiction to order any decision."

"That was a rather unexpected decision, was it not?"

"It was a singular decision, but it was not unexpectedly to me. From what I had heard I believed that something of this sort would be the result. I was not surprised at all, and I died before the committee met. The effect of such a decision will be hurtful to the association. If its members cannot find redress for their wrongs, they will, in natural consequence, be discouraged."

"For which the association was actually organized to decide, it had better band. The question presented to the committee was a very simple one, and the decision asked was the chief of the decisions made by Ref. Willest should be adhered to or whether either men should stand. After the race, and upon some day, he decided that it should be the same as the race, and the decision was made the race to the Columbus. Rule 2 of the association rules provides that the referee must hear his decision on the day of the race, and not at a later date. I believe that the association has a right to appeal a disputed decision, and it was a mere quibble on the part of

he committed to say that they had no jurisdiction, then announced that the Potomac would withdraw from the association."

Yes. I was instructed in case such a decision was made to withdraw, and my action on Saturday will be endorsed by the club."

Will the withdrawal from the association prevent the Potomacs from entering the regatta to be held at the Potomac Regatta Club?

No. Any amateur club can enter the regatta, either they are members of the association or not. We will not enter the regatta now. We have withdrawn the subscription of \$200 which we used to contribute toward the expenses of the regatta in case it was decided to hold it here."

Was there much of a contest as to where the regatta should be held?

There was none at all. The truth of the matter is that there were none at all. The truth of the matter is that the Northern places where the regatta has been held have become disgusted with association, and they had to come to some

place where they had never been before. The only other place spoken of was Newark, and some said that they supposed that they could be

They were glad enough to accept the invitation to come here."

The annual regatta of the National Amateur Association will be held on the 29th of August and the 1st of September. There are thirty clubs belonging to the association, and it is said; that only all will send crews here. The boating men are very much pleased with the selection of the place by the association. The arrangements will be under the direction of the Annapolis and Columbia Clubs, and they will at once appoint the necessary committee. Each of these clubs have subscribed \$500 apiece, and the balance of the money needed to carry out the regatta will be raised by subscription in this city. One of the conditions imposed by the association in selecting a place for the regatta is that the prizes shall be provided. These prizes consist of banners and medals, and about \$1,000 in tournament prizes, other expenses of preparing the course, etc., amount to \$1,200, making about \$2,500 as the total expense of the regatta. This money will be raised by subscription.

**JOHN McCULLOUGH.**

**His First Appearance in London.—Favorable Criticism.**

LONDON, April 26.—John McCullough, the American artist, made his first appearance in London last night in the character of *Virginia*, in the play of "The Merchant of Venice," and was applauded by a very cordial house. His shortcomings as an artist are the absence of real passion and the inaudibility of the lower tones of his voice, but there were some striking points in his

not possess a very commanding appearance, but his movements do not lack dignity, and his fe

ent voice, enabling him to give distinct ear to all his utterances, but he has excessive liberance of utterance and movement. His at strength lies in his vigorous passion. On whole the performance was highly successful and was received with much enthusiasm. *Post* says: "Mr. McCullough is not so much an or as an elocutionist. His performance lacks intensity, and freshness. He has no gleam of ey—no glow of poetic imagination. With the ception of two outbursts of genuine emotion, re was nothing in his performance to raise it ve the dull level of mediocrity. Nothing, refore, could exceed the enthusiasm with which

Mr. McCullough was received by an overflowing audience." The *Telegraph* says: "Mr. McCullough

**Three Weeks Longer Under Water.**  
OMAHA, NEB., April 25.—The people of this city are growing impatient with the delay in the completion of the levee. The inconvenient possibility of having two or three weeks longer of the overflow, there being some fear that the flood will simply fluctuate about absolutely subsiding for the time. The first rain was a relief for the last twenty-four hours. The Union Pacific trains run regular. The temporary bridge of dirt cars has been supplanted beyond the transfer depot long and safe ferry-boats, which continue to transport the heavy loads of the through freight cars for the last few days coming from the east have been sent down via Cheyenne, Denver, and Kansas City. Heavy winds blowing to-day used considerable cutting of banks washed by the waves, but no serious damage has been reported yet.

**A Terrible Doom.**  
MEMPHIS, TENN., April 25.—A letter to the Appeal from Caruthersville, Mo., says: "On an evening of the 23rd instant, a white man

as seen passing down the river in a sail with a young woman. When near the head of Island 2 he threw her overboard, and she was drowned.

woman begging to be put ashore, and witnessed her terrible doom. They started in pursuit of the wretch, but he escaped in the darkness. The pair had remained over night at Cahersville, which is about forty miles up the river."

NEW YORK, April 25.—Secretary Blair was entertained by the Union League Club to-d

m. train.